

AFSCME LOCAL 517

General Membership Meeting Minutes

September 13, 2023 - 12:00-1:00 pm



Attendees: Carrie Genereux Kornatz, Lynne Freezy, Shannan Hendricks, Lisa Peterson, Stephanie Brown, Kristine Krawczewski, Hailee Hennessy Dhein, Jared Voto, Cassidy Parnell Velasco, Amanda Abrego, Madeline Nyvold, Debra Cunningham, Stephanie Walbridge, Adam Snegosky, Anne Conway, Carissta Arndt, Jane Ball, and Ashley Marston.

- Call to Order - 12:02pm
- Treasurer's Report
 - **Motion** to approve August's report - Ashley; Second - Lisa
- Secretary's Report ([link to minutes on website](#))
 - **Motion** to approve - Shannan; Second - Lisa
- President's Report
 - Negotiations Overview
 - AFSCME has 6 members that makeup our negotiations team
 - County has their own staff representation
 - County brings the 1st draft of the proposed contract to the table. Over several meetings language is adjusted to try and incorporate member and union requests as well as county requests.
 - Once both sides feel like the contract is finished, the negotiations team brings the tentative agreement to AFSCME members to vote on approving or rejecting.
 - Negotiations start Friday 10/13 - members are encouraged to wear green to show support for AFSCME
 - AFSCME to request negotiations begin sooner in future years. Open enrollment has been moved earlier and earlier, forcing members to make elections prior to knowing final plan cost increases.
 - Additional discussion:
 - Member requested to have HSA disbursements return to either single disbursement, or two disbursements with one occurring at the beginning of the year.
 - Request to have there be a lump sum performance bonus for those members at the top of their wage class
- Business Rep's Report
 - No update
- Old Business
 - Upcoming Meet and Greet
 - Cottage Grove Service Center - 9/14
 - Members and non-members are welcome to attend; meet with e-board members, and discuss any current issues.
 - 2023 AFSCME Council 5 Annual Convention - September 28-30th
 - Local 517 will be sending seven members on our behalf
 - Convention will discuss Council 5 policies and priorities
- New Business
 - Contract Negotiations Survey Results
- Good & Welfare
 - Gift Card Drawing
 - Stephanie Brown wins!

- Adjourn - 12:57pm
 - **Motion** - Heather; Second - Ashley

Questions about the union or membership? Fill out our [contact form](#) and a local union member will be in touch.

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Executive Board:

President: Lynne Freezy

Vice President: Vacant

Treasurer: Shannan Hendricks

New Member Secretary: Heather Vandenhuevel

Recording Secretary: Ashley Marston

Chief Stewards: Lisa Peterson (non-exempt) and Vacant (exempt)

AFSCME Business Representative: Paul Schwarz

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